Training programmes by Public Sector Units

1440. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether public sector units under his Ministry have been spending significant amount on training programmes;

(b) whether a two day seminar on training for attitudinal charge and work culture in public enterprises have also criticised for not having full training programme; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of the Central Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) Like most other undertakings in the public sector, the public enterprises under the administrative control of the Ministry of Industry train and re-train their employees at various levels in accordance with their commercial and organisational requirements and incur such expenditure on training as may be necessary.

(b) Presumably, the Hon'ble Member is referring to a seminar recently conducted by Foundation for Organisational Research, a privately run training-cum-research institute, in which the need and modalities of change in the attitudes and work culture in public enterprises were, *inter alia*, discussed. The final recommendations of this seminar have not been received by Government so far.

(c) Does not arise, in view of (b) above.

Three-member Election Commission

1441. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 633 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1986 and state:

(a) whether any decision to set-up a three member poll Panel in place of the present one man Election Commission in the country has since been taken; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Not yet, Sir.

(b) The discussion with the political parties on the proposals for electoral reforms have not yet taken place.

Importing rigs from foreign countries

1442. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 309 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th April, 1987 and state:

(a) whether the imported rigs have some technical advantage over indigenous rigs;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) if not, what are the reasons for importing the rigs from foreign countries; and

(d) by what date the 22 rigs proposed to be imported for exploration drilling are likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Import of rigs is generally made if the rigs are not manufactured indigenously, or the domestic price is not competitive and they are unable to meet the scheduled delivery.